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WATER SUPPLY OF—MATTANCHERI

453. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the quantity of water alloted to Mattancheri town;

(*b*) to the suburbs of the Mattancheri Constituency and the villages of it;

(*c*) the number of inhabitants in the Mattancheri Constituency;

(*d*) the quantity of water allowed per head of the population;

(*e*) the hours during which water is supplied to Mattancheri Town and to the suburbs?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) 2 lakhs of gallons of water per day.

(*b*) Within the limited time available, it has not been possible to gather the information.

(*c*) The population of Mattancheri Town is 53,346.

(*d*) 4 gallons per head per day.

(*e*) 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

CHERLAI CANAL—NUISANCE OF

454. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what steps have been taken to obliterate or minimise the nuisance of the Cherlai canal running by the side of the T. D. High School, which is an admitted menace to the health and well-being of the students and teachers of that institution;

(*b*) what amount of money have been spent by public works department for mitigating the evils caused by the canal?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) The canal was cleaned in 1118.

(*b*) The canal is under the Mattancheri Municipality and the Public Works Department has not spent any money on it. An amount of Rs. 2,171—6—0 was spent by the Municipality for cleaning the canal.

MULURKAYAL SCHEME

455. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) have Government collected any amount from kole cultivators benefitted by the Mulurkayal Scheme;

(*b*) if collected, what is the amount?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*:

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The question does not arise.

APPOINTMEMTS IN THE LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

456. Mr. George Panikulam *(Irinjalakkuda)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the articles in the "Malabar Mail", dated 6th Thulam 1120 and 15th Thulam 1120 pointing out certain facts in connection with appointments in the Language Department of the Maharaja's College come to the notice of Government;

(*b*) if so, whether Government are taking steps to rectify in the matters?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*:

(*a*) Article, dated 15th Thulam 1120 in the "Malabar Mail" has come to the notice of Government.

(*b*) Government do not consider that there is anything to be rectified.

AIDED SCHOOL TEACHERS—PAY OF

457. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to a note in the "Malabar Mail", dated 8th Dhanu 1120, pointing out the long delay for getting the aided school teachers' pay bill passed by the Office of the Inspector of Schools, Southern Division;

(*b*) will Government be pleased to give a list of schools, the pay-bills of which are pending consideration in the Office of the Inspector for (*a*) more than six months (*b*) for more than 3 months (*c*) for more than 2 months;

(c) has not the Director of Public Instruction received repeated representations about this grievance of the aided school teachers. If so what action has been taken?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(a) No. There have been comments in the paper on delay in dealing with the grant bills of aided schools.

(b) No pay-bills are received from aided schools.

(c) No.

458. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether the pay bill sent by the Lower Primary School, Thessery (Kodakara) is passed by the Inspector of Schools, Southern Division;

(b) when was this bill submitted?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(a) No pay bill has been received from the school.

(b) Does not arise.

459. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) when was the pay bill (Government aid) for the months of Mithunam and Karkadagam of last year cashed by the Varandarappilli Malayalam Grant-in-aid School?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(a) There are two Malayalam Primary Grant-in-aid Schools at Varandarappilli.—

1. St. Antony's School, Varandarappilli. The date of encashment of the bill for Mithunam 1119 is not yet known.

The bill for Karkadagam 1119 has not been received.

2. St. John Bosco's School, Varandarappilli.

The bill for Mithunam 1119 was cashed on 29th Thulam 1120. The date of encashment of the bill for Karkadagam 1119 is not yet known.

The bills are cashed by the Managers and not by the Department.

ROAD—KALLETTUMKARA TO THAZHAKAD

460. Mr. George Panikulam *(Irinjalakkuda):* Will Government be pleased to answer.—

(a) whether land acquisition for construction of the road from Kalletumkara to Thazhakad has been completed as promised in the last session of the Council;

(b) if not, at what stage does it stand?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(a) and (b) The acquisition proceedings are in progress, but have not been completed.

FEEDING THE CHILDREN FUND

461. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the amount ear-marked for this purpose of feeding the children in school from Government Funds for the year 1120;

(b) the amount contributed by the public in 1120;

(c) the amount spent already for the purpose in 1120;

(d) the number of children so fed and is to be fed (1) in Mattancheri (2) Ernakulam (3) Trichur (4) in all other primary schools in other places in the State?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):*

(a) A sum of Rs. 4·00 lakhs has been provided in the budget of 1120 for payment of contribution to Noon-day feeding.

(b) A sum of Rs. 21,705—9—6 has been collected till the end of 10th Dhanu 1120.

(c) An amount of Rs. 78,967—15—2 has been spent up to the end of Vrischigam 1120.

(d) It has not been possible to collect the information in time.

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